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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Please amend the subject application as follows:

In the Title on page 1 and on page 169:

Delete "HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS (HIV) NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCES, RECOMBINANT POLYPEPTIDES, AND APPLICATIONS THEREOF"

and replace with --HIV IMMUNOASSAYS USING SYNTHETIC ENVELOPE

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